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Republican Township Convention.

The Republicans of the several election districts of the state have convened to a convention to be held at the Court House, on

FRIDAY, MARCH 30, 1888.

At 7 o'clock P. M. for the purpose of nominating candidates for the various offices to be voted for at the ensuing April election as follows: One candidate for Supervisor, three candidates for Assistant Supervisor, one candidate for Commissioner of Highways, one candidate for Commissioner of Clerks, and one for Assessor, one candidate for Collector, and one for Assessor of Assessments, and to transact the transaction of such other business as may properly come before the convention. The representation will be as follows:

The names of the delegates.

Second " 18 "

Third " 15 "

Fourth " 12 "

The primary meetings in the several districts will be held at 7:30 P. M. on Thursday, March 29, at the Elizabeto house, Second District, at the City Council Chamber, Third District, at Firemen's Hall, Fourth District, at the Sheriff's Office.

John A. Brown, Chairman First District.

John A. Barnes, " 21 "

A. T. H. H. " 22 "

Ed. G. Bassett, " 4th "

The Review is very much disgruntled, as was to be expected. But, then, it has been worse than disgruntled heretofore, and the world still wagged on just the same.

The Republicans of Decatur will nominate and elect first-class men for the various city offices, and will hold them responsible for the manner in which they perform their official duties. There is no other way to secure a satisfactory administration of our municipal affairs.

The appointment of Mr. A. N. Wyman to be United States Treasurer in the place of Mr. Gilliland, who has resigned, is a wise one, and in harmony with the "civil-service reform" theory. He is at present the Assistant Treasurer, and his appointment to the chief place is a deserved promotion. Mr. Wyman is an efficient officer, and will prove a worthy successor to Mr. Gilliland.

WHEN the Republicans take possession of the city government next month every interest of the people will be carefully attended to, and side issues will not be permitted to take up the entire attention of the council. The aldermen will not belong to any clique or cabal, but will be the servants of the whole people, and will have behind them a large majority of the votes of the city, ready to second their every effort in favor of wholesome, economical government.

No body need be surprised that the clever gentleman who wields the stroke car on the Review has undertaken the task of formulating a Republican platform for the coming municipal campaign. It is a way he has, but, somehow or other, the pesky Republicans insist on having their own way about it, and go on beating the Review man and his platforms with remarkable regularity, just as they intend to do on the third and seventeenth days of next month. The Republican party has succeeded reasonably well by taking counsel of its friends, and it does not propose at this late day to allow its policies to be dictated by those whose greatest desire it is to overthrow its supremacy.

The Vicksburg Herald takes exception to the statements of many correspondents and of the Associated Press, that Congressman Hooper "was a trifle more drunk than usual" during the closing hours of congress. The Herald wishes it to be understood, we suppose, that its member was no drunker than usual.

WHEN Uniontown, a suburb of Washington, was laid out, twenty-five years ago, it is said the owner issued orders that no lot should ever be allowed to become the property of a negro. That man's own home, in the center of the town from which the colored race was to be excluded, is now owned and occupied by Frederick Douglass.

EDWARD ATTRISON, of Boston, suggests a remedy for school-house dangers. His plan provides for a continuous balcony connecting all the windows at each floor of every school-house, not even excepting the first floor above the level of the street, such balconies to be connected with one another at several points by easy flights of steps, fitted with wooden treads.

REPUBLICAN members of the Ohio Legislature are writing to friends in Washington that there is a movement at Columbus having for its object the nomination of Senator John Sherman for the Governorship next Fall. The idea is that if he should be elected Governor he would be a prominent candidate for the Presidential nomination in the convention of the next summer. Mr. Sherman's consent is yet to be gained.

SIMON CAMERON was 84 years of age on Thursday. His home organ, the Harrisburg Telegraph, says: "There is not a resident of this broad state who should not felicitate this venerable statesman upon this happy anniversary, eminently distinguished as he is not only in the state and the nation, but holding a high place as a patriot and a statesman in the opinion and regard of many eminent men on other nations with whom he has come in contact in the long years of public service he has rendered his own country, both in peace and in war."

BOARD OF EDUCATION

REGULAR MEETING.

OFFICE BOARD OF EDUCATION,
DECATUR, ILL., March 15, 1888.

Present—Messrs. Barnes, Ullrich, Oberman, and Clerk.

Minutes of two meetings read and approved.

Report of treasurer for the month of February read, compared and approved.

Report of superintendent for the month of February read, examined and approved.

The following bills were allowed, and were directed to draw orders on the treasurer to pay the same:

Walter Pope, Geo. Hunsley, \$20;
Close, Griswold & Co., \$26.69; L. D. Prentiss, \$10; Abel & Locke, \$80; Rutan Mfg Co., \$13.08; Ice Company, \$1.90; Decatur Gas Co., \$6.30; D. C. Moffitt, \$47.80.

A communication was read from the teachers of the high school in which they unanimously requested that Miss Ella C. Dinnit be permitted to substitute work done in the Illinois Female College at Jacksonville, as shown by the certificate of Pres. W. T. Short, for two years' work in our course. On motion, the request was granted.

The following was read:

DECATUR, ILL., March 10, 1888.

E. A. GASTMAN, Clerk Board of Education.

Dear Sirs—Through you I send the following communication of my son, as principal of the fourth ward school, to take effect at the close of the present term. Thanking you for your uniform kindness, I am, respectfully,

L. H. MONTGOMERY.

On motion the resignation was accepted and Miss Minnie Parker was elected to fill the vacancy.

Superintendent was authorized to use the name of this school.

In place of Townsends, it is satisfactory arrangement could be made.

On motion adjourned.

W. A. BARNES, President.

E. A. GASTMAN, Clerk.

A Parting Gift.

It was with feelings of sincere regret that the teachers, pupils, and janitor of the fourth ward school were made to realize that their principal, Mrs. L. H. Montgomery, had resigned. Their desire to express their grateful sense of her services and their esteem for her, was manifested by presenting her on yesterday an elegant rocker, as a recognition of the energy and devotion with which she has fulfilled her duties as a teacher, and as a member of their personal regard and friendship. Mrs. Montgomery was called from her room and detained a few minutes, during which time the rocker was carried in and placed upon the platform. As she re-entered the room Miss Ella McRoberts, who had been chosen by her schoolmates, addressed her in a neat little speech and presented the chair. Mrs. Montgomery was quite overcome, but a few well-chosen remarks responded to those present, who included a number of visitors.

A Witness.

THE CHURCHES TO-MORROW

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.

Services at 10:30 a. m. and at 7 p. m.

Subject of morning discourse: "Naming and leading." The session will meet at 9:30 a. m. for the purpose of receiving members. Sunday School at 2 p. m. All invited.

CHURCH OF GOD.

Rev. M. S. Newcomer will preach at 10:30 a. m. Theme: "Our words and meditations"; at 7:30 p. m., "Our Reading."

JAMES' CHAPEL.

Preaching at the usual hours to-morrow by the pastor, Rev. C. B. Roberts.

Sunday school at 9 a. m.

REPORT OF TARDINESS.

In the Public Schools of Decatur for the Week Ending March 16, 1888.

HIGH SCHOOL.

No. 2 days No. Tufts.

Enrolled Absent.

J. N. Wilkinson, 32 0 0

Mary W. French, 32 0 0

A. S. Alcott, 34 0 0

PRIMARY DEPARTMENT.

Mary Whitter, 10 0 0

John C. Crowley, 10 0 0

Laura Fulton, 10 0 0

John Johnson, 10 0 0

FIRST WARD.

T. L. Evans, 10 0 0

John H. Miller, 10 0 0

E. H. Alcott, 10 0 0

Kate C. Crowley, 10 0 0

John C. Crowley, 10 0 0

SECOND WARD.

Elwin P. Alcott, 10 0 0

Hend. E. Alcott, 10 0 0

Mary M. Edwards, 10 0 0

John C. Crowley, 10 0 0

Anna E. Murphy, 10 0 0

THIRD WARD.

John E. Durfee, 10 0 0

John H. Miller, 10 0 0

Ann H. Jack, 10 0 0

Mary C. Edwards, 10 0 0

Harr. C. Crowley, 10 0 0

John C. Crowley, 10 0 0

Laura Fulton, 10 0 0

John Johnson, 10 0 0

FOURTH WARD.

John E. Durfee, 10 0 0

John H. Miller, 10 0 0

Ann H. Jack, 10 0 0

Mary C. Edwards, 10 0 0

Harr. C. Crowley, 10 0 0

John C. Crowley, 10 0 0

Laura Fulton, 10 0 0

John Johnson, 10 0 0

JONES' SCHOOL.

Lucy H. Montgomery, 10 0 0

Rose S. Johnson, 10 0 0

Laura Montgomery, 10 0 0

Sallie E. Brant, 10 0 0

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. S. Knight.

On Monday evening next, the 19th inst., these clever artists are to appear at the opera house in their renowned drama of "Baron Rudolph." This play is one of Bronson Howard's productions, and indeed we question if the famous dramatist has ever done better work than is exhibited in the finely-drawn character whose name furnishes the title of the drama. The Knights are winning golden opinions from the press in every quarter as the following from the Hamilton (Ont.) Spectator bears witness:

The Knights were seen, and have

been by that capital, "Baron Rudolph,"

presented by that capital company,

decidedly the best supporting company,

as it has fallen to the lot of Mr.

Knight to represent the finely-drawn

character, "Baron Rudolph."

Mr. Knight's make-up is capital, his action

perfected, and his dialect unapproachable;

the result is a consistent, well-defined

representation of the drunken husband,

the philistine, and the reformed man,

as well as the mother of the

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Before They Decide Upon a Watch

Do your looking around, then call upon us, and we will show you more Watches than you can see in the Consolidated Stocks of Decatur. We have all kinds—

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Respectfully,

**O. E. CURTIS & CO.,
LEADING JEWELERS.**

Feb 3 dawt

LADIES, NOTICE.

We offer ten pieces and part pieces of

FINE MOLESKIN PLUSHES!

At the extremely low prices of

\$2.25 AND \$2.50 PER YARD.

Former prices \$3.00 and \$3.50. Newest and Best Shades

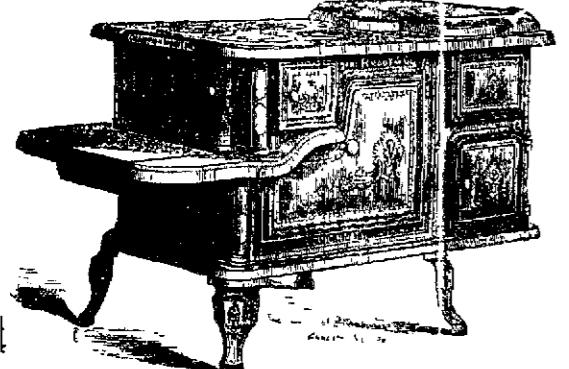
Very choice for jackets, Basques, etc.

**S. G. Hatch & Bro.,
20 East Main St., Powers' Block.**

March 14, 1883—dawt

W. L. FERGUSON. B. W. DILLEHUNT.

NEW STORE--NEW FIRM!



Ferguson & Dillehunt

Having taken the room lately occupied by the Decatur National Bank, NO 13 WATER STREET, and having remodeled and refitted the same, we now open a Full Stock of

HARDWARE!

UNWARE CUTLERY, CARPENTERS' TOOLS, &c.

Also a full line of STOVES, including the latest

Champion and Champion Monitor Cook Stoves

For which we are the sole Agents in Decatur

ROOFING AND SPOUTING DONE TO ORDER.

We respectfully ask a share of public patronage.

FERGUSON & DILLEHUNT.

March 22, 1883—dawt

MRS. C. H. SMILEY,
FASHIONABLE
DRESS MAKER

Latest of Kansas City, has located here, and is prepared to do all kinds of plain tailoring, and also DRESS-MAKING. All work the latest and best taste.

Making Over Suits a Specialty.

Established at Northwest Corner, East Main and Jackson streets, Decatur, Illinois.

Feb 8, 1883

New Bakery.

The undersigned have opened a new Bakery

On Morgan Street, between Cerro Gordo and Eldorado Sts.,

and are prepared to furnish a FIRST-CLASS

QUALITY OF

BREAD TO THE PUBLIC.

A Delivery Wagon will be put on the road to supply customers.

Our baker is a No. 1 cake baker, and we will be prepared to furnish cakes to weddings, parties, etc., and will guarantee satisfaction.

BLUM & MIEH.

March 12, 1883

CHEAP CHARLEY.

An important discovery

Has been made whereby a successful regal estate combination has been introduced,

which helps in the bowels, the liver and the kidneys, and at the same time imparts strength and vitality to the entire system. Burdock's Blood Bitters constitute this important discovery. Price \$1.

SELLER OF RELIABLE CLOTHING ONLY.

COME AND WE WILL CONVERSE WITH YOU ON THIS SUBJECT.

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